

Notice of Allowability	Application No.	Applicant(s)	
	10/647,544	MAKRIYANNIS ET AL.	
	Examiner	Art Unit	
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All claims being allowable, PROSECUTION ON THE MERITS IS (OR REMAINS) CLOSED in this application. If not included herewith (or previously mailed), a Notice of Allowance (PTOL-85) or other appropriate communication will be mailed in due course. **THIS NOTICE OF ALLOWABILITY IS NOT A GRANT OF PATENT RIGHTS.** This application is subject to withdrawal from issue at the initiative of the Office or upon petition by the applicant. See 37 CFR 1.313 and MPEP 1308.

1. ☒ This communication is responsive to Paper filed on June 19, 2006.
2. ☒ The allowed claim(s) is/are 2,5,11,13-16,20,26,28-31,42 and 44.
3. ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
 - a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some* c) ☐ None of the:
 1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
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* Certified copies not received: _____.

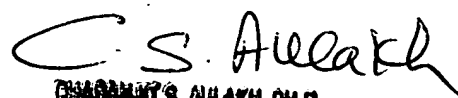
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THIS THREE-MONTH PERIOD IS NOT EXTENDABLE.

4. ☐ A SUBSTITUTE OATH OR DECLARATION must be submitted. Note the attached EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT or NOTICE OF INFORMAL PATENT APPLICATION (PTO-152) which gives reason(s) why the oath or declaration is deficient.
 5. ☐ CORRECTED DRAWINGS (as "replacement sheets") must be submitted.
 - (a) ☐ including changes required by the Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) attached
 - 1) ☐ hereto or 2) ☐ to Paper No./Mail Date _____.
 - (b) ☐ including changes required by the attached Examiner's Amendment / Comment or in the Office action of Paper No./Mail Date _____.
- Identifying indicia such as the application number (see 37 CFR 1.84(c)) should be written on the drawings in the front (not the back) of each sheet. Replacement sheet(s) should be labeled as such in the header according to 37 CFR 1.121(d).
6. ☐ DEPOSIT OF and/or INFORMATION about the deposit of BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL must be submitted. Note the attached Examiner's comment regarding REQUIREMENT FOR THE DEPOSIT OF BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL.

Attachment(s)

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| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. <input type="checkbox"/> Notice of References Cited (PTO-892) 2. <input type="checkbox"/> Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) 3. <input type="checkbox"/> Information Disclosure Statements (PTO/SB/08),
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PRIORITY EXAMINER

DETAILED ACTION

1. According to paper filed on June 19, 2006, the applicants have canceled claims 17-19 and furthermore, have amended claims 11, 42 and 44.
2. Claims 2, 5, 11, 13-16, 20, 26, 28-31, 42 and 44 are now pending in the application.

EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT

3. The following amendment is pursuant to a telephone conversation with the applicant's attorney, Mr. James E. Piotrowski on Sep. 11, 2006. The following changes have been made in claims:

In claim 11, lines 4-5, after salt thereof, delete ----, having an excitation range and an emission range -----.

In claim 11, lines 3-4 from the end on page 5, after radiation, delete ---having a wavelength at or around the excitation range ---- and furthermore, in last line, after compound, delete --- at a wavelength at or around the emission range -----.

In claim 26, last line, delete ----but if W is C=O and Y is O then R5 is not CH₂COOH or CH₂COOEt --- since Y can not be O and is always N according to its definition.

4. Claims 2 and 5 depend upon higher numbered claim 11 and therefore, claim 11 is now renumbered as claim 1.
5. Claims 11 (renumbered as claim 1), 2, 5, 13-16, 20, 26, 28-31, 42 and 44, renumbered as claims 1-15, are allowed since the applicants have amended claims to overcome some indefiniteness rejections and furthermore, due to their persuasive

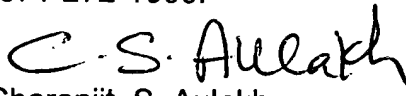
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arguments regarding new matter, utility and remaining indefiniteness rejections and therefore, all rejections are now withdrawn.

6. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Charanjit S. Aulakh whose telephone number is (571)272-0678. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday through Friday, 8:30 A.M. to 5:00 P.M..

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Thomas McKenzie can be reached on (571)272-0670. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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